

MINUTES of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 5 August 2015 at 09.30 a.m. in the Shire House Suite, Shire House, Bodmin.

PRESENT: Chairman, Councillor A J Coppin, presiding; together with Councillors, J R Gibbs, (from Item P/2015/187 – PA15/05930 – arrived 09.32 a.m.), A J Green, L G J Kennedy, P L G Skea, K W Stubbs and C J M Wilkes. Councillor J M Lyne was also in attendance but did not vote, not being a Member of this Committee.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr S Facer (DCE) and Mr D Kinnair (Committee and Cemeteries Officer)

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CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES:

There were no Chairman's announcements and apologies were received from Councillors J H Hartill and G G C Minors.

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PUBLIC REPRESENTATION SESSION - An opportunity for local residents to make representations or ask questions relating to items on this agenda. (Note: a maximum of 15 minutes will be allocated for this session and there will be a time constraint of 5 minutes per speaker).

There were no members of the public present.

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Declarations of Interest – Members to declare interests in respect of any agenda item.

No Declarations of Interest were made.

P/2015/186 – PA15/05569

Conversion of garage block into dwelling – Garage building adjacent to the Warehouse, Park Drive, Bodmin Cornwall – Mr William Baitup – Porthia Properties

Bodmin Town Council supports this application.

P/2015/187 – PA15/05930

Application to crown lift to 3m, crown reduce to retain 80% and crown thin by 15% to Ash Tree covered by tree preservation order - 18 Barons Meadow, Bodmin Cornwall – Mr Gerald Jeffery

Bodmin Town Council supports this application subject to confirmation from the Forestry Officer that works are necessary and that they would not compromise the form or be detrimental to the health / longevity of this tree.

P/2015/188 – PA15/06001

Lawful development certificate for existing use of Construction of conservatory to the rear of 19 Abbots Close - 19 Abbots Close, Bodmin Cornwall – Mr & Mrs Old

Bodmin Town Council supports this application.

P/2015/189 – PA15/06085

Construction of dwelling (amended design) – 5 Lucas Close, Bodmin Cornwall – Mr John Harris

Bodmin Town Council supports this application.

P/2015/190 – PA15/06187

Extension on rear – 7 Pethybridge Drive, Bodmin Cornwall – Mr Duncan

Wilson

Bodmin Town Council supports this application.

P/2015/191 – PA15/06240 Change of use from A2 offices back to retail use as a bakery – 16 Fore Street, Bodmin Cornwall – Mrs Karen Brown

Bodmin Town Council strongly supports this application.

P/2015/192 – PA15/06649 Application for Listed Building Consent for change of use from A2 offices back to retail use as a bakery – 16 Fore Street, Bodmin Cornwall – Mrs Karen Brown

Bodmin Town Council supports this application.

P/2015/193 – PA15/06244 New build kitchen extension as an addition to the previous new block extension (approved planning application PA14/07467) - St Petroc's Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School, Athelstan Park, Bodmin Cornwall - St Petroc's C of E VA Primary School

Bodmin Town Council noted this application.

P/2015/194 – PA15/06247 Application for Listed Building Consent for Replacement of internal structural timbers affected by decay: insect infestation, dry and wet rot decay noted internally together with minor render repairs externally – 36-38 Fore Street, Bodmin Cornwall – Mr Tony Gordon

Bodmin Town Council supports this application to protect this important building in the street scene and would recommend like-for-like materials where appropriate and retention of any key features to preserve the character of the building.

P/2015/195 – PA15/06407 Change of Class of Use from Pet Shop (A1) to Education (Photography Studio) (D1) - 16 Woods Browning Industrial Estate, Bodmin Cornwall - Mrs Judy Brinson - Bodmin College

Bodmin Town Council supports this application.

P/2015/196 – PA15/06442 Change of use application from offices to a Veterinary Practice - Old Station Yard, Road from Berrycombe Hill to Railway Terrace, Bodmin Cornwall - Ms Fiona Varcoe - Rock View Vets Ltd

Bodmin Town Council supports this application.

P/2015/197 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic – Praze Lane, Millpool, Bodmin – 15 September – 17 December 2015 (24 hours, weekends included) – Works to apparatus – Keir Construction

Bodmin Town Council noted this information.

P/2015/198 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic – Road from Treswigga Road to Old Temple Road, Temple, Bodmin – 15 September 2015 – 28 June 2016 (24 hours, weekends included) – Works to apparatus – Keir Construction

Bodmin Town Council noted this information.

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Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Footpath Closure – Footpath 2, Lanhydrock - 7 September – 23 October 2015 (24 hours, weekends included) – Tree Felling Works – Forestry Commission

Bodmin Town Council noted this information.

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Cornwall Council Consultation Notification for Bodmin Growth Deal – Highway proposals for Lostwithiel Road, Higher Bore Street and Priory Road

The Consultation Letter with a deadline of 19 August 2015 for responses was circulated with the Agenda.

The DCE reported that this item is as per this Committee's preferred option (2) which came before committee at the pre-consultation stage on 15 July 2015 and the DCE therefore assumed Committee will reiterate its support for this scheme.

Following discussion, it was AGREED to reiterate the Council's support for the scheme in principle subject to the new parking bay being created outside of St Petroc's Church being reserved for the church only, so as to mitigate against it being used for town/general parking.

P/2015/201

Email from Cornwall Council regarding a call for potential housing sites on brownfield land

A copy of this email was circulated with the Agenda and it was AGREED to refer this item to the next Properties Committee Meeting scheduled for 24 September 2015.

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Local Government Information Unit Policy Briefing on central government planning proposals

A copy of this policy briefing was circulated with the Agenda and was noted.

P/2015/203

Changes to Licensing Street Trading - DCE to report

The DCE reported that Councillor Ann Kerridge had very kindly provided Officers with information regarding a potential forthcoming consultation from Cornwall Council around Street Trading which had been previously alluded to by Councillor Kennedy.

Councillor Kerridge advised that the background is that different districts in Cornwall had very different rules on street trading with North Cornwall scarcely regulating whilst others were very restrictive.

However, new European regulations insist that any restrictions on trading have to be thoroughly justified. This was first debated at the Licensing Act Committee at its January meeting and a consultation

followed. The Licensing Act Committee meeting held on 28 July 2015 looked at the results of the initial consultation. A full 3 month public consultation was expected to commence in the very near future with a view to new regulations being in place for July 2016.

The proposal is that street trading would require a licence throughout Cornwall. That is not just on the street but anywhere, on public and private land.

Councillor Ann Kerridge had advised that her initial concerns were that this would lead to an extra layer of bureaucracy for all kinds of events in Bodmin plus additional cost to comply. However, Councillor Kerridge informed that having read the draft policy documents and attended the Licensing meetings, the proposals would not stretch to organised events, charities and events on Cornwall Council or local council land.

The DCE commented that however, as with all policy 'the devil will be in the detail' so this Committee will need to be mindful of this forthcoming consultation, which given the potential impact on community events it might want to consider and if appropriate make a corporate response on.

The DCE confirmed that as soon as Officers have further information on this matter it be brought before this Committee for consideration.

The Committee noted this information.

Extra item - P/2015/204

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic Urban Footpath Closure – Footpath 7129, Athelstan Park – 3 – 21 August 2015 (07.30 to 1800 hours) – Cabling Works and Transformer replacement – Western Power Distribution

Bodmin Town Council noted this information.

The meeting closed at 09.56 a.m.